

UNAPPROVED

There was a special meeting of the Cumberland School Committee held on Tuesday, June 28, 2011 at the Cumberland High School Auditorium, 2600 Mendon Road, Cumberland, Rhode Island.

Members Present: Jeff Mutter, Lisa Beaulieu, Linda Teel, John Gibbons, Daniel Pedro, Erika Sanzi, Earl Wood

Administration Present: Dr. Susan Carney, Assistant Superintendent, Joseph A. Rotella, Director of Administration

Agenda Item #1: Call to Order

Chairman Mutter called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Agenda Item #2: Approval of Agenda

Mr. Wood made a motion to approve the agenda, 2nd Mr. Pedro, approved 7-0.

Agenda Item #3: Recalls

Dr. Carney requested the following recalls-she said that originally there were 55 on the list; tonight 29 of them will be recalled. Between now and the next SC meeting on July 14th, we will have more recalls. Some classrooms are right on the cusp of overages, so we are watching that, there will definitely be more recalls at the July 14th meeting. Dr. Carney asked Mr. Rotella to read the names from the

list. They are as follows:

RECALL LIST

Recalls

I recommend that the action taken by the school committee on February 17, 2011 not to renew the employment of the following for the 2011-2012 school year, be rescinded:

• Diane Bennett, (#386), recall to the position of Reading Specialist at Systemwide, effective 6/29/2011.

• Bruce Burak, (#369), recall to the position of .7 FTE - PE/APE/Health Teacher at Joseph L. McCourt Middle School, effective 6/29/2011.

• Paula Burke, (#327), recall to the position of Mathematics Teacher at Cumberland High School, effective 6/29/2011.

• Mary Chandler, (#384), recall to the position of .6 FTE Special Educator at Cumberland High School, effective 6/29/2011.

• Stephanie Dasilva, (#332), recall to the position of Social Studies Teacher at Cumberland High School, effective 6/29/2011.

• Bonilyn Deblois, (#29), recall to the position of .7 FTE Media Specialist at Systemwide, effective 6/29/2011.

• Robert DiMartino, (#324), recall to the position of .6 FTE Drama/English Teacher at Cumberland High School, effective 6/29/2011.

• Charlotte Doherty, (#335), recall to the position of Special Educator at Systemwide, effective 6/29/2011.

• Jonathan Dowiot, (#341), recall to the position of Social Studies Teacher at Cumberland High School, effective 6/29/2011.

fâ Janita Ducharme, (#376), recall to the position of .6 FTE Music Teacher at Systemwide, effective 6/29/2011.

fâ Patricia Garrahy, (#121), recall to the position of Speech/Language Pathologist at Systemwide, effective 6/29/2011.

fâ Michelle Grimaldi, (#358), recall to the position of Special Educator at Cumberland High School, effective 6/29/2011.

fâ Sherri Heard, (#368), recall to the position of .7 FTE - PE/APE/Health Teacher at Systemwide, effective 6/29/2011.

fâ Leah Hogan, (#325), recall to the position of .5 FTE - PE/APE/Health Teacher at Systemwide, effective 6/29/2011.

fâ Kristine Kinnear, (#146), recall to the position of Kindergarten Teacher at Systemwide, effective 6/29/2011.

fâ Lisa Koziol-Kenyon, (#130), recall to the position of .6 FTE Music Teacher at Systemwide, effective 6/29/2011.

fâ Nellie Lima, (#363), recall to the position of Special Educator at Ashton School, effective 6/29/2011.

fâ Traci Lynch, (#380), recall to the position of Speech/Language Pathologist at Systemwide, effective 6/29/2011.

fâ Sarah McLellan, (#286), recall to the position of Social Studies Teacher at North Cumberland Middle School, effective 6/29/2011.

fâ Colleen McMichael, (#375), recall to the position of .5 FTE School Nurse/Teacher at Systemwide, effective 6/29/2011.

fâ Christine Martin, (#154), recall to the position of Mathematics Teacher at Joseph L. McCourt Middle School, effective 6/29/2011.

fâ Susan Melaragno, (#350), recall to the position of Science Teacher at Joseph L. McCourt Middle School, effective 6/29/2011.

fâ Maureen Mottau, (#151), recall to the position of Media Specialist at Systemwide, effective 6/29/2011.

fâ Edward Packhem, (#382), recall to the position of .5 FTE - FATA (Fine Applied Technical Arts) at Cumberland High School, effective 6/29/2011.

fâ Julie Pascoe, (#361), recall to the position of Grade 3 Teacher at Community School, effective 6/29/2011.

fâ Colin Smith, (#367), recall to the position of .8 FTE - PE/APE/Health Teacher at Cumberland High School, effective 6/29/2011.

fâ Lisa Sparks, (#361), recall to the position of .6 FTE Social Worker at Systemwide, effective 6/29/2011.

fâ Nora Swartwout, (#370), recall to the position of School Psychologist at Systemwide, effective 6/29/2011.

fâ Lionel Tessier, (#379), recall to the position of Science Teacher at Joseph L. McCourt Middle School, effective 6/29/2011.

Mrs. Beaulieu made a motion to approve as presented, 2nd Mrs. Sanzi and Mr. Wood, approved 7-0. Mr. Pedro then asked how many of the positions being recalled are reduced positions? Mr. Rotella answered none, but then said that they are trying to fine tune the list and that yes there was one or two that was reduced but may get increased again, as they go along. Mr. Gibbons then asked what the unemployment liability was for the ones that are not recalled. Mr. Rotella said that they will file for unemployment within the next 10 days, if recalled on the 14th of July, we would be looking at probably a weeks worth of liability.

Agenda Item #4: Vote to go into Executive Session for Discussion of Items Referred to in R.I.G.L. 42-46-5: A: Personnel Matters ;V Exception (1)

Mr. Wood made a motion to go into Executive Session, 2nd Mr. Pedro and Mrs. Beaulieu, approved 7-0.

The SC went into executive session at 7:16 p.m.

The SC reconvened at 7:45 p.m.

Mr. Wood made a motion to seal the minutes from executive session, 2nd Mr. Pedro, approved 7-0.

Mr. Wood made a motion to adjourn from executive session, 2nd Mr. Gibbons, approved 7-0.

Agenda Item #5: Discussion and/or Vote to Appoint Superintendent of Schools Subject to the Approval of an Employment Contract

Mr. Gibbons made a motion to appoint Dr. Phil Thornton as Superintendent of Schools, subject to approval of an employment contract, 2nd Mr. Wood and Mrs. Beaulieu, roll call vote ;V Mr. Gibbons ;V yes, Mrs. Sanzi ;V yes, Mrs. Teel ;V no, Mrs. Beaulieu ;V yes, Mr. Pedro ;V yes, Mr. Wood ;V yes, Mr. Mutter ;V yes. Approved 6-1.

Mrs. Beaulieu then wanted to thank Dr. Colwell, town officials, Garr Future Management for all of their assistance in this process. She noted that we had two outstanding candidates.

Mr. Mutter also wanted to thank Mr. Garr, Mr. Warren, the search committee, the Valley Breeze, everyone who participated in the survey, everyone who had any part in this search, he appreciated all

the time spent and wanted to publicly thank everyone involved. He said it is not over, it is just the beginning!

Mr. Pedro asked for a listing of the recalls from tonight with a column on the listing that said what the position was before the recall and what it will be this coming year. He also wants this information for the next recall list at the 7/14 meeting. He wants to see which positions are being reduced from one year to the next. Dr. Carney said that would be no problem.

Agenda Item #6: Adjournment

Mr. Wood made a motion to adjourn, 2nd Mrs. Sanzi, approved 7-0. Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Linda A. Jackvony